

**Blessed Sacrament Cathedral Parish**

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**Dear Members of Blessed Sacrament Cathedral Parish,**

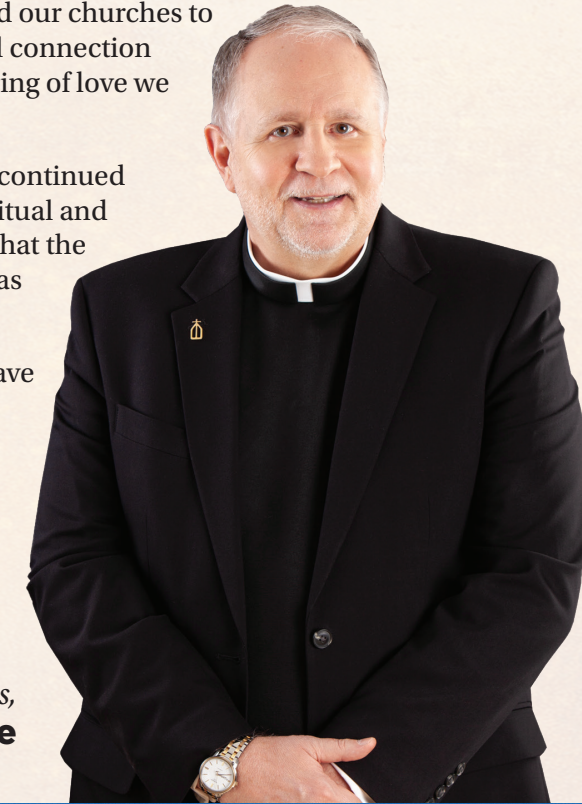
The safety and health of every member of our parish have been in my daily prayers as together we continue to face the ups and downs of the pandemic. Many of you, I know, have endured great pain and personal loss, not to mention the numerous concerns that have developed as the pandemic has imposed an ongoing struggle with fear and isolation in many people's lives. Still today, with the rise of new variants, there is the ongoing uncertainty of what is next.

I hope you have been comforted by our local and diocesan outreach through streaming Masses, phone calls, special mailings and, in many parishes, special COVID-19 ministries like online prayer chains and other opportunities for prayer. There were also special collections to support mission work at home and around the world, food drives to help the hungry, volunteers who cleaned and sanitized our churches to protect our at-risk parishioners, and outreach coordinators who made a crucial connection with the elderly and homebound. These are just a few examples of the outpouring of love we saw in the name of Jesus Christ throughout the pandemic.

I want you to know that through it all, Blessed Sacrament Cathedral Parish has continued to nourish the seeds of faith that have been planted, seeking to care for the spiritual and material needs of our entire parish community. The good news in all of this is that the harvest has been bountiful! In fact, the support provided by you, the faithful, has been just remarkable.

As excited as I am about the impact of our outreach, I also realize that a tidal wave of need is still on the horizon. Economic uncertainty and continued isolation mean the most vulnerable among us will need us now more than ever. Our missions and ministries cannot continue to meet that need without your help.

I want to sincerely thank you for all that you have given to our parish. Remember, your contributions keep this parish vibrant and impactful. Please remember your parish this year, and prayerfully consider increasing your stewardship so we can continue God's work.



*Blessings,*  
**Monsignor Raymond E. Riffle**

Growing Support for our  
**FAITH**  
Community



**Blessed Sacrament Cathedral Parish Annual Report 2021**

**Flowers that Feed the Soul: Our Ministry Listing**

- Altar Server
- Religious Formation Leaders and Youth Ministry Leaders
- Music Ministry
- Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
- Homebound Ministry
- Greeters
- Lectors
- St. Vincent de Paul Society
- Ushers
- Prayer Chain
- Bethlehem Project
- Ministry of Care
- Money Counters
- Bereavement Support





# Cultivate the Garden Within: Capital Improvements



Your contributions to our parish help maintain the facility, making it the center of prayer in our community. Over the last three years, we installed a new furnace for the four-story rectory and offices, a new air-conditioning system for the four-story rectory and offices,

replaced all rectory interior lights with energy-efficient LEDs, replaced the 16 halogen spotlights in the sanctuary and apse with energy-efficient LEDs, and we are putting a new roof on the Faith Formation Center.

## Parish Financials

	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19
<b>Offertory</b>	\$ 742,918	\$ 785,435	\$ 819,007
<b>Other Ordinary Income</b> <i>(monthly collections, votive candles)</i>	5,812	5,834	6,137
<b>Extraordinary Income</b> <i>(bequests, donations, fundraising, interest, rental income)</i>	176,723	149,926	186,481
<b>Diocesan Lenten Appeal Refund</b>	177,614	125,831	97,363
<b>Other Non-Assessable Income</b> <i>(The Catholic Accent, sale of property, insurance reimbursements, and PPP Loan)</i>	78,350	132,195	79,813
<b>Special Collections</b>	129,867	97,871	97,803
<b>Total Income</b>	\$ 1,311,284	\$ 1,297,092	\$ 1,286,604
<b>Expenses</b>			
Administration	\$ 279,658	\$ 259,757	\$ 291,396
Church	110,085	110,899	121,209
Rectory	97,581	54,319	22,487
Education and Ministry	179,956	150,000	173,293
General Expenses	349,446	356,277	366,681
Special Collections	131,328	83,323	97,788
Extraordinary Expenses	38,662	79,096	141,106
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	1,186,716	1,093,671	1,213,960
<b>Net Operating Income (Loss)</b>	\$ 124,568	\$ 203,421	\$ 72,644

## Our Garden



### Registered Households

2021: 1503  
2020: 1542  
2019: 1542

### Single Member Households

444



### Baptisms

2021: 21  
2020: 17  
2019: 30

### Weddings

2021: 19  
2020: 16  
2019: 15



### Funerals

2021: 44  
2020: 50  
2019: 41



## Weathering COVID-19

Just as God has provided for you, you have provided for our parish. Your investment is like the tilling of the soil, helping us to grow stronger. Despite the pandemic, our parish offertory has remained strong, primarily due to the generosity of our parishioners; but, it was greatly assisted by online giving and a record-breaking Diocesan Lenten Appeal.



As I am sure you can imagine, our parish suffered from the loss of fundraising monies. This year, our Parish Mardi Gras Dance as well as our Oktoberfest gatherings were cancelled.

We do have some future events on the calendar, so please consider participating. Help us grow the flowers of tomorrow by planting the seeds today:

- All Souls Day Mass of Remembrance on November 2 at 6:00 PM
- Thanksgiving Day Mass on November 25 at 10:00 AM
- Lessons and Carols on December 10 at 7:00 PM

## Ways You Can Give



**BY MAIL:**  
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**IN PERSON:**  
Monday - Friday  
10:00AM - Noon  
and 1:00PM - 3:00PM



**ONLINE:**  
[osvhub.com/blessed-sacrament-cathedral/funds](https://osvhub.com/blessed-sacrament-cathedral/funds)

